

Hongkong Telegraph



MONDAY, JULY 16, 1894.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,125,000
PAID-UP £662,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Directors:
D. CHILDS, Esq., Chairman
Chen Kih Shan, Esq.,
H. Stollmeyer, Esq.,
General Manager.

Branches: London, Yokohama, Shanghai and
Amoy.

BANKERS:
The Commercial Bank of Scotland,
Paris Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ltd.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1894.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. HARRY WALTER ARTHUR is
authorised to Sign our FIRM per Pro-
curator from this date.

BAIN & Co.
Telavento, Formosa,
1st July, 1894.

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE BY PRIVATE ARRANGEMENT
(owing to the OWNER being about to
retire from business) the

FURNITURE, FIXTURES,
STOCK-IN-TRADE, GOODWILL, &c.,
of that well-known and popular establishment

THE STAG HOTEL,
conveniently situated in Queen's Road Central.

The HOTEL, in addition to TWO BARS,
PUBLIC and PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS,
and BILLIARD-ROOM, contains SIXTEEN

Spacious and well-furnished BED-ROOMS.
For further particulars, apply to

C. D. WILKINSON,
Solicitor,
Queen's Road,
or THE PROPRIETOR,
Stag Hotel.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1894.

FOR SALE.

1 inch GALVANIZED IRON WASHERS,
1 inch GALVANIZED IRON WASHERS,
1 inch GALVANIZED ROUND IRON, 18
feet long.

1 inch GALVANIZED ROUND IRON, 18
feet long.

Apply to CHOY CHEW,
No. 248, Praya West.

Insurances.

THE
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE
COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the
CONTRACT OF LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.

For full particulars and rates,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June, 1894.

THE MEIJI FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED, OF TOKYO.

THE AGENCY of the above-named Company
having this Day been TRANSFERRED
to the Undersigned, they are now prepared to
accept RISKS against FIRE at CURRENT
RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
K. FUKUI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1894.

THE TOKYO MARINE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—TOKYO, JAPAN.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,200,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP £600,000
GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE £400,000

RESERVE FUND, 30th June, 1893, £548,551
SPECIAL RESERVE, Do. £134,097

TOTAL RESERVE £682,648

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above
Company, are prepared to accept RISKS
at CURRENT RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
K. FUKUI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1894.

GENERAL NOTICE.
THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED.)

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO } \$318,000.00
RESERVE FUND

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq.,
LO YUEK MOON, Esq.,
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1893.

NOTICE.
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

Hotels.

FUJIYA HOTEL,
MIYANOSHITA,
HAKONE.

Four and a half hours from Yokohama.
FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATION.
NATURAL HOT SPRINGS.

THE ELECTRIC LIGHT IN ALL THE
BUILDINGS.

TWO ENGLISH BILLIARD TABLES.
EXCELLENT CUISINE.

SPECIAL RATES MADE FOR A
PROLONGED STAY.

S. N. YAMAGUCHI,
Proprietor.

BAY VIEW HOTEL.

THE POPULAR SUMMER RESORT, and
TERMINUS of the only pleasant DRIVE
to be had on the Island. "BAY VIEW"
occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan
Road, commands an excellent view of the
Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes
from the Southward. Steam-launches can at
any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the
spacious lawn.

The Cuisine is unrivalled in Hongkong, and
only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars,
&c., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or
Times prepared in First-class style on the
shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all
hours.

Hongkong, 1st June, 1894.

PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed
HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet
above sea-level, has just been thoroughly
redecorated, renovated and refurnished, and a
NEW WING has been built, which commands
magnificent Views of the Harbour and mainland
of China.

SUMMER RATES,
(FROM MAY 1ST TO OCTOBER 31ST)

One person, per day, £4.00
One person, per week, £25.00
One person, per month, £75.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per
day, £7.00

Married couple (occupying one room) per
week, £45.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per
month, £140.00

For further particulars, apply to
MANAGER,
Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1894.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIP HANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF
SHIP AND ENGINE STORES
OF BEST BRANDS.

AGENTS FOR:
INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.
PRICE'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL.

BELL'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED!

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1894

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

THE IMPERIAL ENGLISH & CHINESE

FAMILY WASHING BOOK.
The Imperial English and Chinese Gentleman's
Washing Book.

Imperial Writing Pads in all varieties of sizes.
Swan Fountain Pens.
The Century Fountain Pen.
The Magpie Fountain Pen.

IVORY QUILL PENS.

The Popular Handbook of Finance—a very
useful Handbook for all.

Everybody's Pocket Cyclopaedia.
Everybody's Cookery Book.
"The Outdoor World," by Furneaux.
Patent Safety Razors.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 7th July, 1894.

CENTRAL HOTEL,
SHANGHAI.

Electric Lighting
throughout
the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:
"CENTRAL
SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the
centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath
and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid
on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.
SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.
N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

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DAWSON'S PERFECTION
OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East,
69, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1893.

THE
HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kienlin"—A. B. C. Code—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East,
affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of
the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf
(the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping
Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.
THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being
under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to
spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public
BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.
HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers
and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1893.

W. BREWER.

WARNE'S NEW ROYAL NATURAL
HISTORY, Vol. I.
Rocks—Gold the Metallurgy of.
Louis—Handbook Gold Mining.
Brassey's Naval Annual.
Artillery—Its progress and present position.
Foster's Whist Manual.
George Moore—Mummer's Wife.
Zolas—Money.
Gale and Poldens—Guide to Promotion.
Football—Rugby Union Game.
Gore—World of Space.
Black—Library Atlas of the World.
New Photos—Types of English Beauty.

NEW ENGRAVINGS.
Very Handsome Briar Wood Pipes in
Cases.
Large Selection of Long Cherry Wood Pipes.
New Selection of Gold Pens.
New Stock of Chromylite to imitate Stained
Glass Windows.
Nelson's Nautical Tables.
Anaby's Extra Masters Guide.
Bellow's French-English Dictionary.
Brown Russian Boots and Shoes.
Brown Leather Poles.
Tennis Balls and Shoes.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 11th July, 1894.

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-SIXTH ORDINARY HALF-
YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOL-
DERS in the COMPANY will be held at the
OFFICE of the COMPANY, No. 18, Bank Buildings,
Queen's Road Central, on MONDAY, the 30th
Instant, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of
receiving a Report of the Directors, together
with a Statement of Account, declaring a
Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 16th to 31st Instant,
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th July, 1894.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND at the rate of
4 per cent. for the SIX MONTHS ending
30th June, 1894, will be PAYABLE on the
21st July next, on which date DIVIDEND
WARRANTS may be obtained on application at
the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 5, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED on the 21st and 23rd Inst.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th July, 1894.

THE NEW BALMORAL GOLD MINING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD
CALL of FIFTY CENTS per Share, on
the Shares issued at ONE DOLLAR, has now
been MADE in accordance with the PROS-
PECTUS, and FALLS DUE on the 4th of
AUGUST next. Same should be PAID to the
UNDERSIGNED at No. 9, Praya Central, to whom
the SCRIP should be sent for endorsement.

By Order of the Board,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th July, 1894.

THE PHARMACY.

FLETCHER & Co. Dispensing and Retail
Chemists, Perfumers, Druggists Sundries-
men and Patent Medicine Vendors.

KEPLER'S MALT per dozen \$14.00
KEPLER'S MALT and OIL \$14.00
SCOTT'S EMULSION \$13.00
SCOTT'S EMULSION \$25.00

TOILET ACCESSORIES:—
Perfume Bottles, Cut Crystal, Combs, Brushes,
Sponges, Sponge Bags, Flesh Gloves
and Belts.

Perfumes:—Pineau, Atkinson, Colgate, Rick-
secker and Brown Perfumery Co.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893.

"DERMATOL,"
MANUFACTURED BY FARBERKE,
Hochst & M.; its effect in stimulating
the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal
administration against diarrhoea, is described as
amazing.

D. R. KNORR'S
LION BRAND
ANTI-PYRINE.

(DOSE FOR ADULTS 15 TO 35 GRAINS TROV.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,
NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER,
TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSI-
PELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other
complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic.
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.
Ask for Dr. KNORR'S ANTI-PYRINE! Each
Tin bears the inventor's signature "Dr.
KNORR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export Import and Bank Company.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 7th April, 1894.



CHAMPAGNES.

THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents for Messrs. ERNEST KROY &
Co.'s brands of Champagne at this Port and in
China:—

CARTE D'OR.
per 6 mag. per 1 doz. qts. per 2 doz. pints.
\$33 \$31 \$33

CARTE BLANCHE.
per 1 dozen quarts. per 2 dozen pints.
\$38 \$30

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1894.



CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
WINE and SPIRIT
MERCHANTS,
HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, LONDON AND
GLASGOW.

15, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 14th August, 1893.

Intimations.

VICTORIA HOTEL.

THIS HOTEL will be CLOSED for BOARD
and LODGING on MONDAY, the 16th
Instant, but the BAR and BILLIARD-ROOM
will remain OPEN until FURTHER NOTICE.

WM. FARMER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1894.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE:—MEXICAN
DOLLARS Current in this Colony, and
weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills
drawn at 10 days sight, on the Lords Com-
missioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will
be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay
Department until 11 A.M. TO-MORROW, the
17th July, 1894.

The Tenders to state the total amount required
(in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which
each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be
issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in duplicate, and in sealed
covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army
Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for
Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the
Tenders is reserved.

WILLIAM I. BARR,
Colonel,
Chief Paymaster, China.

Her Majesty's Treasury Office,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 12th June, 1894.

AMOY PILOTAGE SERVICE.

HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE,
CUSTOM HOUSE,
AMOY, 9th July, 1894.

NOTICE is hereby given that a VACANCY
exists in the HARBOUR PILOTAGE
SERVICE of this Port, and that in accordance
with General Regulation IV. an Examination
of Candidates will be held by the Board of
Appointments in the HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE
on MONDAY, the 30th July, 1894, at 10 A.M.

R. TRANNACK,
Harbour Master.

Approved: JAMES W. CARRALL,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.

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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"NAMO,"
Captain Harris, will be despatched for the above
Ports TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1894.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"BENLARI,"
Captain E. Le Bontiller, will be despatched as
above on WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, the
18th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1894.



Informations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & CO., LD.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

SUMMER DRINKS.

FRUIT SYRUPS,
In Bottles at 75 Cents.

AERATED WATERS.

D. C. & Co.'s
LIQUEUR AND OTHER WHISKIES.

CLARETS.

MEDOC.

Per Case, 12 bottles, \$5.50
Per Case, 6 bottles, \$3.00

ST. GERMAIN.

Per Case, 12 bottles, \$7.50
Per Case, 6 bottles, \$4.00

ST. ESTEPHE.

Per Case, 12 bottles, \$7.50
Per Case, 6 bottles, \$4.00DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1894.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WATSON'S

IMPROVED CARBO-CAMPHYLENE

Is Distinguished by a White Label in addition
to the Red One which States thatTHE IMPROVED CARBO-CAMPHYLENE
Is miscible in Water in all proportions.

ITS MISCELLANEOUS IN WATER

Combined with its Agreeable and Refreshing
odour will Command it to the Public for General
Use, as it is an Elegant, Agreeable, and Perfect
Disinfectant for Sickness, Bed-rooms, Bath-
rooms and all necessary vessels therein. For all
purposes it should be diluted freely with Water.

DIRECTIONS FOR USE.

As a Safford in visiting—
A little sprinkled on the handkerchief or
cotton wool and kept in front of the nose and
mouth in infected rooms or in passing through
infected districts is strongly recommended.For washing the face and hands—A tea-
spoonful to a gallon of water.

For the Bath—A table-spoonful or less.

For Sick-rooms and Bed-rooms—A tea-
spoonful or more distributed in saucers round
the room or evaporated by the aid of a lamp.For Sprinkling or Spray—A wine-glassful to
a pint of water.

AS A MOUTH WASH

A few drops in a tumbler of water.

FOR WASHING DOGS.

A table-spoonful to a bucket of water.

THE IMPROVED CARBO-CAMPHYLENE
Converts the waste of bath water into a Valuable
Disinfectant, which in passing through the down-
spouts and stench-traps destroys mosquito germs
and removes bad smells. Its use in the bath
has a most beneficial effect on the skin and
greatly reduces the risk of infection.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1894.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 16, 1894.

TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE AT CON-
STANTINOPLE.LONDON, July 14th.
A further shock of earthquake occurred at
Constantinople on Thursday evening. Serious
damage has been done, and a fresh panic has
broken out amongst the inhabitants of the city.

JABEZ BALFOUR.

The Argentine Government has refused the
extradition of Jabez Balfour.THE STRIKE IN THE UNITED
STATES.After conferring with the leaders of the
railway strikers, President Cleveland appointed
a Commission to investigate and report on the
Chicago troubles.COMMERCIAL FAIL-
URE.June 16th.
The firm of Ernest, Wilson & Co. has
failed. The disaster is attributed to late failures
in Dundee, and the low price of iodine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The death is reported at Manila of Mr. Henry
Ewart, assistant in Messrs. Macleod & Co.'s
Death is attributed to heart disease.Mr. KANE DAIKORO, attached at the Japanese
Consulate in London, has been appointed consul
at the new Japanese Consulate in Bombay.The returns of the number of visitors to the City
Hall Museum for the week ended, July 15th,
are—Europeans, 95; Chinese, 260; total 355.The Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamer *Hiroshima*
Maru left Singapore on the 14th inst. for this
port, and may be expected here about the 20th
inst.A REGULAR meeting of Perseverance Lodge No.
1166, F.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall,
Zetland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock
precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.The Agents (Messrs. Dorell, Carrill & Co.)
inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship
Co.'s steamer *Victoria*, from Hongkong, Shang-
hai and Japan, arrived at Tacoma on the 12th
inst.It is the intention of the Hongkong Government
to hold a much-needed market at Tai-kok-tai
What with a market and the new road, there will
be great improvements in that district a few
years hence.This statement made by our Shanghai morning
contemporary as the sales of new tea in London
to *Moyana*, to the effect that tea costing 25s
in 1893 were paying from 21 to 25 per cent.
profit—should have read from 31 to 35 per cent.Our friend the Editor of the *Bangkok Times*
plaintively remarks that "the burglar, who
recently removed an eight-horse clock from the
premises will call round he can have the
turning-down instrument and ten solid drawn
carriage-cases, together with a quantity of wares."A SPECIAL meeting of licensing justices was
called for to-day. Mr. H. E. Wadehouse, Police
Magistrate, and Mr. G. W. Deputy Superintendent
of Police, were present. The police
having no objection, the application for the
transfer of "The Salvo" Home" license from
Alexander Molr to William Keenan was
unanimously granted.The war scare in the North and the consequent
brisk demand for coal at Shanghai has resulted
in local holders asking as much as \$6.50 per
ton for ordinary Japanese steam coal. Should
war break out between China and Japan, coal
dealers assert they will be able to dispose of
large stocks at an advance of from 30 to 40 per
cent. on current rates.ADVISED from Amoy report that cholera, as
usual during the summer months, is prevalent
in the native city, the mortality so far having
been very considerable. It is also stated that
cases of the bubonic plague have occurred, but
whether this is true or not, it is strenuously
denied by persons who ought to be in a position
to know the real state of affairs.We understand that the Hongkong Government
has under consideration, if it has not actually
been decided on, the construction of a lighthouse
on the hill at the base of Mount Blackhead &
Co's goods at Kowloon Point. It is intended
to serve as a leading light for vessels entering
the port after dark, so as to prevent their colli-
ding with the Kowloon Observatory.The *China Gazette* understands that negotia-
tions are nearly completed for the sale of the
steamship *Bombardier* to Japanese. The vessel
was then loading cargo in Shanghai for London
& Co's goods at Kowloon Point. It is intended
to serve as a leading light for vessels entering
the port after dark, so as to prevent their colli-
ding with the Kowloon Observatory.The Nova-Scotian ship *Selkirk*, which has
gained a rather unenviable notoriety since her
arrival at this port, will leave tomorrow for
Marine Bay, near Manila, under the com-
mand of Capt. D. Shearer, late Secretary of the
local Mercantile Marine Officers' Association,
who will have an entirely new crew with him.
After the usual quarantine the *Selkirk* will
proceed to Cebu to load a cargo of hemp for New
York.It was rumored in Sydney recently that a
syndicate of Victorian and New South Wales
ship-owners will shortly be formed with a view
to running a line of large and fast steamers to
Hongkong, China and Japan, calling at Manila
& Co's goods at Kowloon Point. It is intended
to serve as a leading light for vessels entering
the port after dark, so as to prevent their colli-
ding with the Kowloon Observatory.The *N. C. Daily News* says "there is no doubt
the popular belief, both among Chinese and
Japanese, is that war is inevitable, while the
official belief seems to be that diplomacy will
succeed in arranging a *modus vivendi* with con-
cessions on both sides. The Chinese in Japan are
countermarching orders and preparing to leave,
while the Japanese are full of confidence in the
justice of their cause, and in their immediate
success if war is declared. It seems only too
certain that China is not ready for war, while
Japan is ready."A SEAMAN belonging to the British ship *Herat*
has contributed two dollars to the City Hall
Treasury this morning as a 'drunk and
disorderly.'—Twenty-one days' 'hard' was
awarded to Chan Kan, a fitter, for purloining four
cents worth of sugar, the property of the Tai-
koo Sugar Refinery; and for annexing two skirts
and a 'rump,' valued at 10 shillings, the
personal 'props' of Madame Fitch Goodhouse.
Mr. Tang Chang was treated to six months
hard labour and lodging at the public expense.
Redie milt, cras tibi!

AMENITIES OF JOURNALISM IN TONGKING.

From *La Progress*:—
"We wonder if the assistant editor of the
Sitch is ever sober!"From *La Sitch*:—
"We would be pleased to learn how long it is
now that the viceroy's manager of *La Progress*
has been drunk!"From *L'Avenir*:—
"We take pleasure in answering the two notes,
that both have been *hors de combat* in a low
groggery ever since they were discharged from
gaol last month."The latest venture in Far Eastern journalism is
the *China Gazette*, a daily afternoon paper
published in Shanghai, and owned and edited by
Mr. Henry O'Shea, late of the *Shanghai Mercury*,
who originally came out some eight years ago
to the *N. C. Daily News*. Judging from the
first half-dozen issues, the *China Gazette* pro-
mises to prove a useful addition to the Shanghai
press. The articles are well written, and the
general get-up of the paper is what one would
expect from an experienced journalist. Although
capitalized upon fairly good paper, the place
and form of the *Gazette* are not altogether
attractive to the critical eye, but these are minor
points, and it is satisfactory to see the adventur-
ing columns wearing such a healthy appearance.
The *Hongkong Telegraph* takes this opportunity
of wishing the *China Gazette* a prosperous career,
and of congratulating Mr. O'Shea on the excellent
start he has made.The once famous tea clipper ship *Thermopylae*
arrived at Woonung with a cargo of timber from
Puget Sound on the 9th inst.The *Hokkaido* left Shanghai on the morning of
the 10th inst. for Paslet Bay, to tow the dis-
abled steamer *Paslet* into port.The members of the Warrant Officers' Club
will give a smoking concert at their headquarters,
Bloss Buildings, at 8 o'clock to-night.The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamship
Empress of India arrived at Kobe at midnight
on Saturday, and left at 10 a.m. on Sunday for
Vancouver, via Yokohama.The Commander-in-Chief of the Nanang
squadron, the Taitai of Shinghai the Director
of the Kiangnan Arsenal, and other high officials,
inspected the forts at Woonung on the 9th
inst.The steamship *Tartar*, purchased by the
Nippon Yusen Kaisha from Messrs. Dorell,
Carrill & Co., has been re-named the *Kokura*,
and will run between Yokohama and Kobe.The *Shanghai Mercury* reports that a foreigner
employed at the Government Iron and Steel
Works at Hongkong, was overcome by the great
heat and fell down and expired whilst at work
on the 2nd inst.The *Y. Y. Robbins*, the sulphur-laden ship
wrecked some time since near Hakodate and
subsequently sold by auction, has been got off
the beach and is now the *Japan Mail* says, at
anchor in Hakodate Harbour.An interesting souvenir of the recent Lat-
chok controversy has reached this office in the
form of a set of neatly executed photographs of
the frontier post-house taken by the Kae Hing
Co., the enterprising photographers of Queen's
Road Central.TELORAHIC orders have been received at the
Kiangnan Arsenal from Li Hung-chang to at
once despatch a number of vessels of the
Nanyang Squadron to cruise in the Gulf of
Pechili, either for the protection of the ports in
the Gulf or to act as a reserve to the Pelyang
squadron.A TELEGRAM to a Japanese contemporary, dated
Peking, July 5th, says:—"The British Govern-
ment, it is said, has advised the Chinese Govern-
ment to withdraw her troops from Korea. The
departure of Viceroy Li Hung-chang from Tientsin
for the capital is in response to a summons from
the Emperor of China."We received at 5.10 p.m. a communication from
Mr. J. J. Francis, Chairman of the Permanent
Committee of the Sanitary Board, referring to the
advisability, now that the Chinese are returning
in large numbers to the colony, of householders
preventing their servants' friends from lodging
on their premises. It came too late for publica-
tion in full.MR. W. BLAIR, of St. Paul's College, has
invited a number of his friends to meet him in
the Hongkong Hotel at 8.30 to-morrow evening
with a view to devising ways and means of get-
ting up a public entertainment, the proceeds of
which are to be devoted to supplying the police
and soldiers engaged in the whitewashing,
searching and disinfecting operations in China-
town with medical comforts and necessary
stimulants.We have already mentioned, remarks the *N. C.*
Daily News, the very successful inauguration
by Chang Chih-ung on the 3rd inst. of his iron
works at Hanyang. It is expected that they
will soon be turning out large quantities of steel;
meanwhile, according to a native informant,
the Viceroy gave great praise to Tai Taitai,
the Director-General of the Iron Works and Coal
and Metal Mines of Hupoh, as well as to the
various foreigners connected with the works, to
whom, indeed, the greater part of the credit is,
of course, really due.The British squadron left Yokohama on the
morning of the 3rd inst. for a cruise in northern
waters. The ship *Centurion* led the van,
followed by the *Mercury* and *Severn* following,
two cables' length between each ship. At seven
miles from the coast the *Dolphin* separated from
the *Centurion* by two cables' length, and the *Plover* an
equal distance behind. The *Albatross* brought
up the rear at about four cables' distance. "It
was a pretty bit of seamanship," remarks the
Japan Gazette, "as imposing as it was interest-
ing."Editor of the *Old Daily Press*—Did you hang
round Government House last night as I
instructed you?Jenkins (reporter, etc.)—Yes sir, I hid in the
verandah until midnight; but the only one who
came in during the whole time was the Post
Office coolie.Editor (rubbing his hands)—Splendid! Write
a special para. that we learn from a reliable
official source that H.E. the Governor has
received important despatches from home, which
will be made public in a day or two. Nothing
like enterprise in these days, Mr. Jenkins!THE American four-masted barque *Roanoke*,
3,400 tons, which arrived at Woonung on the
morning of the 9th inst. with 120,000 cases of
kerosene, is said to be the largest sailing vessel
that has ever come to Shanghai. When the *Roanoke*
last was in the harbor she was damaged by a
late *Woonung* was damaged 26 ft. 6 in. She
shortly after anchoring one of the crew, a boy,
was sent aloft to assist to loosen the sails, when
he missed his footing and fell from the main-
top-gallant yard to the deck, meeting instant
death by breaking his neck and sustaining other
terrible injuries. An inquest was afterwards
held at the United States Consulate, when a
verdict of "accidental death" was returned.A CANTRON correspondent claiming to have been
all through the city during the past few days,
writes to assure us that there is little or no
cholera there, and that the statements which
from time to time appear in the Hongkong press
descriptive of the ravages of the disease are
wholly imaginary. We give publicity to our
correspondent's statement for whatever it may
be worth, although the fact of his having been
through the city, unless he inspected the hospitals
or made a house-to-house visitation, would not
give him any information whether cholera was
there or not. It is not the practice in Canton
to allow cholera-stricken patients to lie in the
public streets. Our information, and we can
safely rely that it is "wholly imaginary," is to
the effect that cholera is raging very badly
indeed in various districts of the city.

THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG.

Everything seems to be progressing satisfactorily,
and there is practically nothing fresh to
report in connection with the plague. The
two Japanese scientists, as well as Mr.
Allen and the soldiers on board the *Hygieia*,
are progressing as favorably as we can
anticipate by the degree of attendance and
all that remains of upwards of 2,000 patients,
treated by the *Ying Wah* Hospital, are now
about forty persons of all ages and sexes, and
new daily convalescences, and are expected to be
discharged soon at an early date if all goes well.
The latest official returns are as follow:—From noon on the 14th inst. until noon yester-
day:—

	New Deaths	Disch.	Rem. under
	cases	cured	treatment
Hospital ship <i>Hygieia</i>	0	0	10
Kennedy-town.....	3	2	0
Slaughter House.....	2	0	51
Private houses.....	0	1	15
A. M. Branch Hospital.....	0	1	0
Total.....	5	4	106

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Hospital ship <i>Hygieia</i>	0	0	10
Kennedy-town.....	1	1	28
Slaughter House.....	3	3	54
A. M. Branch Hospital.....	0	0	14
Private houses.....	0	2	0
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CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by
Correspondents in this column.)

THE "SELKIRK" CASES.

To the Editor of the *Hongkong Telegraph*.SIR,—The article published in the *Hongkong*
Telegraph of the 13th inst. on the *Selkirk* cases
has attracted considerable attention, and people
are naturally asking if it sets forth the truth
the particulars mentioned were withheld during
the two trials?After the verdict was passed on the chief
mate, a number of steamboat men met to
discuss the question.On the one hand we had the statements of
Capt. Crowe's personal friends, and on the other
newspaper reports of the trial of what appeared
to be a shocking case of brutality, which a jury
of the prisoner's countrymen had given a
verdict in accordance with the evidence
led. What were we to believe?The outcome was that the writers were deputed
—as being likely to have the longest stay in
port—to try to get at the whole truth.Our report, which is substantially what
appeared in print on the 13th inst., we handed
to the *Telegraph*.We interviewed Mr. Crowe and other mem-
bers of the crew, and so far as we can learn, the
only blows struck during the voyage were dealt
on the 13th March, and the whole affair was a
question of minutes only.When the master accused Flynn of being one
of the causes of all the mischief on board, we
think he had no intention of striking him, for he
was without support, his officers being aloft, but
provoked by what he heard was the man's
conduct. The truth, he struck him and then, on
the spur of the moment, ordered Kennedy
down on deck and there accused him of being
the other mischief-maker.Not until the man drew his knife, which Crowe
had been warned of for the man and said he
would use on him, did he take up a weapon.The mate's feeling toward these two may be
gauged when we understand his innocent watch-
being kept on deck until the mischief-
maker had been convicted or confessed.If what we hear is correct of Kennedy's
attitude in the water as the ship sailed past him
we think his only intention was to frighten the
officers so as to prevent all further punishment
at the expense of a ducking to himself.We have information from boarders at the
Sailors' Home, that they were annoyed at night
by the rehearsal of the dramatic evidence of the
witnesses.Sailors as a class are a good lot of men, but as
everyone knows are only too easily led, and only
those who have to deal with them know how much
mischief even only one thoroughly bad scamp can
cause on board ship.Our committee now think sufficient fresh light
has been thrown upon this case to justify the
drawing up a petition to his Excellency the
Governor, begging his favourable consideration
for the mitigation of the punishment of Capt.
and Mr. Crowe.Thanking you for giving us the opportunity
of stating this case, we areYours obediently,
Two SHIPMASTERS.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1894.

THE "SELKIRK" SCANDAL.

POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

At the Magistracy this morning, Mr. W. C. H.
Hastings presiding, George McGrady, able sea-
man, one of the principal witnesses for the pro-
secution in the recent assault and manslaughter
case, was called to the witness box, and the
Officer of the Nova-Scotian barque *Selkirk*
being imprisoned for six weeks and two years
respectively, was charged with committing an
unreasonable assault upon Frederick Cross, an able
seaman on the *Selkirk*, on the 30th
February, and the 6th and 9th of April last.
Mr. A. B. Johnson, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted,
and the prisoner was defended by Mr. Johnson.
Frederick Cross, in answer to Mr. Johnson,
said he was 18 years of age, and was an ordinary
seaman on board the British ship *Selkirk*, which
arrived here from New York on the 9th ultimo.
The defendant was an able seaman on board the
same ship. Witness then related at length the
circumstances connected with the charge against
the defendant, the details of which are too
disgustingly filthy to be even alluded to, far less
published.After a short cross-examination of the witness,
the defendant applied to the Court to have "all
hands" present. His Worship agreed to subpoena
the whole of the crew of the *Selkirk* and
adjourned the further hearing of the case until
10 a.m. to-morrow.NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN
MAIL.The China Navigation Co.'s steamer *Chingta*,
Capt. R. Jones, with the Australian mail,
arrived in harbour yesterday. For the following
telegram we are indebted to our Sydney
exchange:—Great Britain and Portugal have agreed to
submit to arbitration the boundary dispute in
the south of the Zambezi river, in Africa.
The half-yearly meeting of shareholders in the
Federation and Oriental Steam Navigation
Company was held to-day.St. Thomas Sulzberger, M.P., the chairman
and joint managing director of the company,
announced that the falling off in the passenger
traffic from Australia had been severely felt, but
that the freight for the six months, compared
with the corresponding period of the previous
year, had increased by £15,000. This justified
the directors in declaring an interim dividend
at the rate of 5 per cent. on preferred and of 7
per cent. on deferred shares.St. Thomas warned the shareholders that it
would be necessary for them to face an equally
loss on the Indian and China exchange during
the remainder of the year.The Belgian Government have directed their
troops on the Congo to avoid any conflict with
the French forces.The Berlin correspondent of *The Times*
says that the populace are hostile to the new
British-Belgian treaty, as they consider that it
will prevent Germany having access to the terri-
tory.The same correspondent states that the
Emperor William and Count von Caprivi, the
Imperial Chancellor, are determined that
Germany shall have a share in the settlement
of the territory along the Congo.A shocking case of suicide occurred in Hyde
Park, London, to-day. An artisan, who was
unable to find employment, proceeded to one of
the least frequented portions of the park and shot
himself. The report of the shot attracted the
attention of those in the neighbourhood, but when
assistance arrived the man was quite dead.A double tragedy of a shocking character was
enacted this morning at Manchester under extra-
ordinary circumstances. A servant girl in the
employ of a builder named Kearly, interviewed
her master for the purpose of giving him a
week's notice of her intention to leave. The man
listened to the girl's communication and then
immediately made a savage attack upon her.The girl resisted frantically, but Kearly
accomplished his purpose of murdering her,
completely severing the girl's head from her body.
The man then completed his deed by committing
suicide. The motive for the tragedy is not known.The *Daily Telegraph* reports that the people
of Sicily, a Mediterranean island belonging to
Spain, have been reduced to a terrible state of
distress, and that there is danger of a revolt.So absolute is the starvation in some districts
that at Lercara the women and children are
eating hay and grass in order to sustain life.The Duke of Devonshire at-tes that owing to
the inevitable demand of democratic finance it
will soon be necessary for him to alter the
management of his estates, to reduce expenditure,
and to close Chatsworth and other palaces.His Grace says that if the Budget taxation
proposals are agreed to, his successor will be
required to pay duties amounting to his entire
income for 10 or 12 years.The proprietors of 40 coal mines in Fife and
Cockermouth, Scotland, resenting an attempt on
the part of the men to dictate terms, have decided
to dismiss all their employes. The have also
issued a notification that they intend to close the
mines.Russia has finally rejected the Chinese claim
to the possession of the whole of the Altchur
Pamir, China having urged that it was necessary
to the security of her position in Central Asia.The Defence Committee of the Imperial
Federation League is asking the Government to
invite the delegates at the Federal Conference at
Ottawa to declare their willingness to contribute
a share to the cost of the Imperial navy.A most disastrous fire has occurred at the city
of Panama, in Columbia, Central America. All
attempts to check the progress of the flames
were unavailing, and the fire burnt itself out
after completely destroying no less than 200
buildings.The conflagration caused a panic amongst the
populace, many of whom were rendered home-
less, and the wildest scenes of terror amongst
the panic-stricken people resulted.A terrible disaster involving great loss of life
has occurred off the west coast of Ireland. A
passenger steamer conveying a number of people
from Achill, an island

those departments. Mr. Patterson also desires to get the divorce, execution, civil and criminal law processes, &c., of the colonies brought under one common standard; and he further proposes a conference between three or four experts from each colony to consider the practicability of other laws of his scheme.

The prisoners Lee and Cumming have been sentenced to death for the Barraba tragedy. Lee positively declares that Cumming is entirely innocent of the crime.

The debate on the Address-in-Reply is still lingering. The Government are being warmly commended for the Bray Playford incident, and grave charges are being made against Mr. Playford.

MELBOURNE, June 26th.

The Melbourne police made a raid on two betting shops on Saturday night, and effected 96 arrests, besides seizing a large sum of money.

BRISBANE, June 26th.

Dr. Alid Elk committed suicide on Friday night last.

SYDNEY, June 26th.

The trial of Lee and Cumming for the murder of Mackay, the Bank Manager at Barraba, was concluded on Friday, and both prisoners were found guilty and sentenced to death, but several points were reserved for the consideration of the Full Court.

The New South Wales Premier has disavowed the proposed penny postage scheme between England and Australia.

James Sharpe was sentenced to two months' imprisonment in Sydney yesterday for allowing his premises to be used for betting.

Sir George Dibbs, the Premier, has issued a manifesto to the electors of Tamworth embodying the policy of the Government, and also opened the election campaign by a speech at Tamworth last night.

The New South Wales Parliament has been dissolved, and the general elections take place within three weeks.

LONDON, June 27th.

M. Carnot, President of the French Republic, was attacked and fatally stabbed whilst driving in his carriage to the theatre on Sunday night last, his assailant being an Italian baker named Santo. The outrage was perpetrated in the city of Lyons, whither the President had proceeded on a visit.

The Prefect of Police and a posse of police were in attendance. The former sprang forward and felled the assassin to the ground, but not before he had accomplished his purpose.

The wounded man lingered for three and a half hours in great agony.

The crowd in the vicinity of the theatre mobbed the assassin, who narrowly escaped being lynched.

Immediately on news of the outrage becoming known abroad, the infuriated populace proceeded to attack and wreck the Italian cafes in various parts of the city. Fire was freely used, and in a short space of time several serious conflagrations were raging.

The police endeavored to restore order, but were attacked so furiously that they were glad to retreat within the shelter of their barracks, whilst the yelling mob pursued their work of revenge and plunder unchecked.

The majority of the Italian inhabitants made their escape, but several were seized and brutally maltreated.

Nearly all the English and Continental papers published full details of the tragedy on Monday, and the news has created a painful impression. All the members of the French Senate have been summoned to meet together at once.

Universal expressions of sympathy have been received, including messages from America, Canada, and Australia and from other Colonial Governments.

The German Emperor has personally wired his condolences; and a similar message has been received from the Italian legislature.

The event has given rise to the most intense excitement throughout France and in other parts of the Continent, and all sorts of rumours are afloat regarding it.

The deed is generally ascribed to the anarchists, as it is known that M. Carnot has been daily threatened with assassination since the execution of Vallant.

M. Casimir Perier will probably be elected President. Other Candidates are M. Brisson and M. Dupuy.

An explosive mine has been discovered under a Russian church—in readiness for the Czar.

June 28th.

Several infernal machines have been found in the cellars of the Czar's palace at St. Petersburg. Two Cabinet Ministers have been arrested in connection therewith.

A new torpedo-destroying vessel has just been launched in England. She steams 49 knots an hour, the fastest time on record of any vessel afloat.

An exceptionally terrible colliery explosion is reported from Wales—three hundred miners killed.

Thirty Parisian anarchists have been arrested for publicly expressing their approval of the recent assassination.

An attempt has been made by the anarchists to destroy one of the principal bridges across the Seine.

The Dutch Government positively refuses to pay compensation in the matter of the illegal seizure of the *Costa Rica* and imprisonment of the captain. They are willing to submit the matter to arbitration.

Edison, the famous electrician, has sustained severe internal injuries from falling down some steps.

ADRELAIDE, June 28th.

The Great Boulder Company, of Coolgardie has been registered in London—capital, £175,000.

Splendid discoveries of gold continue to be made in the neighbourhood of Petersburg, Mingary, and Ningbo—on one or two instances rivaling the sensational finds at Coolgardie.

THE KOREAN CRISIS.

The following extracts from our Japanese exchanges, received this afternoon, "give the latest state of affairs between China and Japan on the Korean difficulty:—

A number of military bandmen have left Osaka for Korea.

Many hope to see Count Yamagata appointed to the supreme command in Korea.

The Japanese troops in Korea are now in direct telegraphic communication with Tokyo.

Viceroy Li Hung-chang left for Peking on the 3rd inst., and is expected to return to Peking on the 10th.

The Osaka Shosen Kaisha's steamer *Onomaru* has been chartered for Government service.

The Chinese Government is reported to have sent three steamers from Taku to Korea laden with gunpowder and torpedoes.

Lieut.-Col. Fukushima has returned from Korea. Seventy Japanese women came back from Chemulpo by the *Hyo-nan*.

Five vessels of the Japanese Navy which recently returned to Sasebo, have again started for Chemulpo for active operations.

A railway line is being constructed from the Nagoya garrison to Nagoya Station, in order to facilitate the transport of war material.

The Chinese troops that left Gasan for the disturbed districts have returned, and the Togo rebels are again active in Cholla province.

The Chinese Emperor is said to be now in favour of a nationing Viceroy Li's proposed declaration of war. The Government in Peking is also favourable to it.

The arrival of nine transports at Jinsen from Ulsan on the 27th ult. must have brought the Japanese force in Korea up to nearly 112,000 men.

Mr. Otori, says a dispatch from Seoul to Tokyo, has paid a visit to the Korean King. A detachment of Japanese artillery has entered Seoul and is encamped at Wajo.

The Korean soldiers, who had started for Cholla to suppress the rebels, have returned to Seoul, while four hundred Chinese troops have left Gasan to attack the Togo.

A telegram from Nagasaki to the *Yiji Shimpō* announces the giving of a warning by the local Chinese Consul to Chinese residents to be ready to leave this country at short notice.

A Chinese merchant who has been making large purchases of coal at Moji is reported to have been arrested. The presence of three Chinese spies at Bakan is suspected.

The Chinese Minister in Tokyo, His Excellency Wong, is said to have made preparations for his departure at any moment. He is also reported to be in favour of Li Hung-chang's warlike preparations.

General Setau, a Chinese commander, on the plea of an audience with the King intends entering Seoul with a military detachment from Asan. Some report that the main body of his escort will remain at Sulgen.

Eight *sokei* have been arrested at Hakata, charged with being concerned in a plot to assassinate Mr. Yuen Sei Kai, the Chinese Minister to Korea, which country they intended to reach by fishing boats.

A sharp look-out is being kept for the secret agents of the Chinese in Japan. Their number is suspected to be constantly increasing, and Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, and foreigners are all suspected.

It is reported that Mr. Otori has put the direct question to the Korean Government, asking whether Korea owes allegiance to China or is independent, and that he has been answered that the latter is correct.

According to the *Yushin Nippo* of July 7th some five hundred Chinese residents of Osaka and Kobe were to leave in a few days. Preparations for quick departure were being hurried forward and business among them is at a standstill.

The English, French, German, and American Ministers are said to have intervened between China and Japan. The latter has rejected the proffered arbitration of the Russian Minister, and will probably treat all foreign offers to the same way.

A Korean, interviewed by a representative of the *Mainichi*, declares bluntly that his countrymen have not recognized any mistake in their past attitude towards Japan; and that he sees little to choose between the actions of that country and China.

Viceroy Li Hung-chang is reported to have dispatched a telegram to the Korean Government, assuring the officials that there is nothing to fear from the presence of the Japanese soldiers in Korea, and urging that the Government should avoid giving any countenance to Mr. Otori's proposals.

A *Yiji* express of July 7th announces that 2,000 troops under General Setau have marched towards Seoul and were then five miles from Sulgen. The Japanese Minister, Mr. Otori, has advised the general of the danger he was running of a collision between the two armies, but it is not known yet if the Chinese general will heed the warning.

It is rumoured that Mr. Yuen, Chinese Resident at Seoul, is instigating Korean soldiers to take some action that will bring about a broil with the Japanese troops. M. Hirovno, Russian Minister to Japan, who has been staying at Hakata, is said to have returned to Tokyo in response to the request of the Chinese envoy.

It is telegraphed that the Chinese forces at Asan are preparing to remove their headquarters to a point only some 25 miles south of Seoul; and the *Asahi* correspondent adds that their near approach to the capital will be the signal for hostilities. The same paper states that a company of Korean soldiers were stopped by Japanese outposts after a small encounter.

As is well known, Li Hung-chang massed a number of troops at Tientsin some time ago with a view to being prepared for war, but owing to the disinclination of the Emperor and the authorities at Peking to endorse the distinguished Viceroy's policy, the troops were not allowed to embark. Now, however, according to the *Asahi*, news has been received in Tokyo from Peking to the effect that the Government in Peking is inclined to fall in with the views held by Li Hung-chang.

It is rumoured that Viscount Enomoto has been finally selected as Envoy Extraordinary to Peking to try and arrange a common understanding with China for co-operation, or for unaided action, in effecting Korean reforms. It seems certain that Japan will not now retire without effecting at least part of the work to which she has put her hand.

Viscount Enomoto, having already been Minister in Peking, should prove a specially valuable negotiator in the present crisis.

In the *Nichi Nichi's* letters from Seoul we find the strict neutrality of the British and American Ministers contrasted with the attitudes of the Russian and French representatives. These two latter are said to be having daily meetings with the Japanese Minister and to have expressed entire approval of the steps taken by the Japanese Government.

In the event of war the French Minister is understood to have offered the grounds of the Catholic Mission for occupation by the Japanese troops. A battery located there would practically command the city.

The Chinese Viceroy Li is said to have telegraphed to the Korean King that, though Japan had dispatched a great number of soldiers, they are much puzzled what steps to take, and that China will compel Japan to withdraw her troops from Korea. Therefore no need need be taken of requests made by the Japanese Minister to his Majesty's Government. Korean coolies, probably instructed by their Government, refused to work for the Japanese steamers which took over the second detachment of troops to Chemulpo; the crews of the vessel were obliged to do the work themselves.

The downfall of the Min faction seems assured. The head of the family has been insulted in the streets, and scorned by the Chinese Resident. One report says the latter spat in his face, and he advised his execution because the Minister's vacillation delayed the arrival of Chinese troops until the Japanese were already in Seoul. Min still enjoys the support of the Queen, however, and although he has resigned nearly half of the many offices he monopolized he is still an element to be reckoned with. If banishment be his fate, all his estates will be confiscated by the Crown. This sentence may be imposed on the ground that he applied to China for armed intervention in the direct cause of the present complications.

SIAM NOTES.

BANGKOK, 3rd July.

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Mr. Beckett, acting as Italian Consul, is making arrangements whereby Pire Collobet will probably send a number of men to cultivate the paddy lands of Mr. Dunsford, who was murdered last Sunday, near Ajahula. This step is necessary for the administration of the estate.

It may be well to refer here to the extraordinary rumours which are being freely disseminated regarding dissensions among members of the Royal family. Our enquiries go to show that these rumours have no foundation in fact; that the personages so freely referred to are quite united in their devotion to the King and the Crown Prince, and that the origin of the idle statements can only be attributed to those who like fishing in troubled waters.

Another libel suit was instituted yesterday at the British Consular Court, on behalf of Mr. W. A. G. Tilleke, solicitor, against Mr. G. W. Ward, journalist, who, together with plaintiff, has conducted the *Siam Observer*. Plaintiff complains that, on June 28th while plaintiff, with Mr. Page, was appearing on behalf of Mr. G. Murray Campbell, in an action brought by Messrs. Kelly & Co., defendant wrote a letter to Mr. Beckett, agent for Mr. G. Murray Campbell, in which he said "I insist on your lawyer asking Pully who the Co. is. It might be a lawyer on your side, in which case—well, you don't stand much chance." It is complained that this was meant to apply to plaintiff, and was calculated to injure him in his business and social position, and damages are laid at Tcs. 2,000.—*Bangkok Times*.

FOOCHOW NOTES.

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A tea dealer carrying on business at Chingtai, over the Long Bridge, closed his doors last week with liabilities amounting to some \$10,000.

Last Wednesday being the anniversary of the birthday of the Grain Commissioner, his Excellency's yamen was besieged by callers. A grand entertainment was given, and there was a theatrical performance to mark the occasion.

We are informed that the Foochow garrison has been strengthened by some 2,000 men. This was before the arrival of the Inspector. It may be that this reinforcement is not intended to be permanent.

The agents of the Mutual line of steamers are advised by wire of the *Peking* having left Port Said on the morning of the 3rd inst. As she did not steam out of this port until the afternoon of the 9th ultimo this is an unusually good run.

The Provincial Treasurer has issued a proclamation urging the police to redouble their vigilance in looking after the markets. He is said to be unusually full of bad characters from the country towns and reports just now, who are constantly causing trouble by thieving.

The An-Kwang magistrate has posted a notice calling attention to the fact that sixteen of those on the list who were entitled to the Dowager Empress's bounty on the occasion of her birthday, have not applied for their share of 4 mace and 5 candarins each, and requesting them to send in their applications at once.

A junk laden with timber and bound for Chingling, has been captured by pirates at sea near Chong-mun. The cargo and all valuables on board were removed, but the crew were allowed to go, and were not ill-treated in any way. The captain on his return reported the piracy to the Viceroy, who communicated at once by wire with the Chingling magistrate.

The Viceroy has ordered tea stalls to be placed in several of the thoroughfares during the summer months, so that passers-by may refresh themselves with hot tea instead of water as the poorer classes have been known to do. No charge is to be made, and it is said that the expense will be borne by the Viceroy. This is at once a charitable act and a precaution against sickness.

A scare appears to be easily established here. The stevedores and coolies at the Pagoda Anchorage having heard something of the impending hostilities in Korea, have made up their minds that steamers will shortly have to load at Sharp Peak. Asked why they say so they do not doubt a Japanese fleet will soon be to take the Pagoda Anchorage. What the Min fortifications come in in these people's minds is

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STATION	Bar.	Therm.	Wind.	Cloud.	Sea.	Weather.
Wanchow	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Nagasaki	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Yokohama	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Shanghai	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Amoy	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Swatow	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Canton	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Hankow	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Peking	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Harbin	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Manchuria	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Japan	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Formosa	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Philippines	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Indo-China	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Siam	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
Java	30.1	71	SE	0	0	0
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